PREFACE.

IN issuing the present volume, the Council desire to express their regret at the long delay in its publication. Their excuse is that some of the Papers did not reach the hands of the Publishing Committee until the early months of this year. The Papers are arranged, as far as possible, in the order in which they were written; but, owing to the delay on the part of some of the Authors in sending in their Papers, it has not been found practicable to observe this order in all cases.

The Council wish to call the attention of the Society to the fact that they especially desire to encourage original investigation.

It is requested that Papers intended for reading at the monthly meetings be sent to the Secretary at least one month previous to the date at which they are intended to be read, in order that they may be submitted to the Council for approval.

The list of Fellows is believed to be correct. If any error be discovered, it is desirable that early intimation be sent to the Secretary.

The Council desire to express their thanks to Dr. Zerffi for his kindness in preparing the index.